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## ABSTRACT

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**TITLE: MOISTURE-RESISTANT, SHAPE-RETAINING FABRIC, RIBBON AND BOW AND PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING SAME**

10 A method of making moisture-resistant, shape-retaining fabric, comprising the steps of  
contacting at least one surface of said fabric with a polymeric material and curing said polymeric  
material so that the polymeric material penetrates the interstices of the fabric and forms a permanent  
coating on at least one surface of the fabric. The polymeric material is selected from the group  
consisting of polyvinyl chloride, urethane, or a polyvinyl chloride-urethane blend in proportions  
ranging from 5% to 95% polyvinyl chloride to 95% to 5% urethane. The fabric may be cut to form  
ribbons and may be assembled to form bows. The fabric, ribbons or bows of the invention retain  
their original shape, drape and form despite exposure to water, moisture, refrigeration or the  
elements